

## **RHONDA Y. WILLIAMS, PHD**

### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Coleman A. Young Foundation Endowed Chair & Professor, Department of African American Studies, Wayne State University, August 17, 2023-Present.

John L. Seigenthaler Chair in American History and Professor of History, Department of History, Vanderbilt University, 2017—2023. Inaugural chair holder.

Visiting Professor in Department of History, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Visiting Professors and Scholars Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, 2019-20.

Founder & Director, Social Justice Institute, Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), 2008-2017. (<http://case.edu/socialjustice/>)

Founder & Director, Postdoctoral Fellowship in African American Studies, College of Arts and Sciences, CWRU, 2008-2017.

Professor, Department of History, CWRU, 2016-2017. First black professor to achieve full professor.

Tenured Associate Professor, Department of History, CWRU, 2004-2016. First black person promoted and tenured in the department.

Assistant Professor, Department of History, CWRU, 1998-2004.

Assistant Professor/Instructor, Department of History, CWRU, 1997-1998.

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., History, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, May 1998.

Dissertation Advisor: Mary Frances Berry.

B.S., Journalism, Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, University of Maryland College Park, College Park, MD, May 1989. Received a Certificate in Afro-American Studies. First black valedictorian/salutatorian in UMCP's history.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### ***Sole-Authored Books***

*Concrete Demands: The Search for Black Power in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century* (New York: Routledge Press, 2015)

*The Politics of Public Housing: Black Women's Struggles Against Urban Inequality* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2004)

Winner, 2004 Letitia Woods Brown Memorial Book Award from the Association of Black Women Historians. (See Honors and Fellowships)

#### ***Essay Collections, Co-editor***

*Women, Transnationalism and Human Rights*, eds Karen Sotiropoulos and Rhonda Y. Williams, Special Issue of the *Radical History Review* 101 (Spring 2008).

This issue of *Radical History Review* includes feature articles, reflection essays, interviews, teaching essays and syllabi, and art that focus on interrogating the contemporary iterations of human rights debates, the historical origins of human rights discourse, and the relationship among and shaping influences of women's material realities. With attention to local conditions and universal claims, contributors explore the interactions between women occupying and traveling across different geographical spaces and assess the efficacy of human rights for women's social justice struggles.

*Teaching the American Civil Rights Movement: Freedom's Bittersweet Song*, eds. Julie Armstrong, Susan Hult, Houston Roberson, and Rhonda Y. Williams (New York: Routledge, 2002).

This collection of pedagogical essays evolved from the National Endowment for the Humanities' "Teaching the Southern Civil Rights Movement" Summer Institute in 1998 at Harvard University. (See Honors and Fellowships) My essay entitled, "Raising the Curtain: Performance, History, and Pedagogy," discusses the historical place of performance in black politics and focuses on how teachers can use performance as an innovative pedagogical practice.

Co-Editor with Joe Trotter, Clarence Lang, and Leslie Harris, *Black Urban History at the Crossroads* (University of Pittsburgh Press, forthcoming 2024)

Responsible for co-writing the volume's Introduction. Also wrote the Introduction for Part III: "Modern Black Freedom Struggle, Urban Space, and New Politics," and edited the essays of the five scholars contributing to this section.

Guest Editor, Special Forum on *The Streets Belong to Us* by Anne Gray Fischer, *Journal of Urban History*, forthcoming 2024.

Responsible for writing the forum's Introduction titled, "Whose Streets? Our Streets! ... or Maybe Not?: Legitimizing Racialized Gendered Policing in Modern Cities." Also edited the essays of six contributing scholars, including the Author's Response.

### ***Refereed Journal Articles and Chapters in Edited Books***

"Women, Gender, Race, and the Welfare State," *Oxford Handbook of American Women's and Gender History*, eds. Ellen Hartigan-O'Connor and Lisa G. Materson (Oxford University Press, 2018).

"'To Challenge the Status Quo By Any Means': Community Action & Representational Politics in 1960s' Baltimore," *The War on Poverty and Struggles for Racial & Economic Justice: Views from the Grassroots*, eds. Annelise Orleck and Lisa Hazirjian (University of Georgia Press, 2011).

"The Pursuit of Audacious Power: Rebel Reformers & Neighborhood Politics in Baltimore, 1966-1968," *Neighborhood Rebels: Black Power at the Local Level*, ed. Peniel E. Joseph (Palgrave Macmillan, 2010)

"'Something's wrong down here': Low-Income Black Women and Urban Struggles for Democracy," *African American Urban History Since World War II* (Historical Studies of Urban America), eds. Kenneth L. Kusmer and Joe W. Trotter (University of Chicago Press, 2009)

"Nonviolence and Long Hot Summers: Black Women's Activism in 1960s Baltimore," *Rethinking Gandhi and Nonviolent Relationality: Global Perspectives* (London: Routledge, December 2007). (See, *Borderlands E-Journal* version below).

- “Race, Dismantling the “Ghetto,” and Housing Mobility: Considering the Polikoff Proposal,” *Northwestern Journal of Law and Social Policy*, Vol. 1, Issue 1, Summer 2006. Access at: <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/journals/njls/v1/n1/4/> (2006).
- “Black Women, Urban Politics, and Engendering Black Power,” *The Black Power Movement: Rethinking the Civil Rights-Black Power Era*, edited by Peniel E. Joseph (New York, Routledge, 2006)
- “Nonviolence and Long Hot Summers: Welfare Rights Struggles in the 1960s,” *Borderlands E-Journal*, Vol 4, No. 3, 2005. Access at: [http://www.borderlandsejournal.adelaide.edu.au/vol4no3\\_2005/williams\\_welfare.htm](http://www.borderlandsejournal.adelaide.edu.au/vol4no3_2005/williams_welfare.htm).
- “Raising the Curtain: Performance, History, and Pedagogy,” *Teaching the American Civil Rights Movement*.
- “We’re Tired of Being Treated Like Dogs: Poor Women and Power Politics,” *The Black Scholar*, Special Edition on Black Power Studies: A New Scholarship, Fall/Winter 2001, 31-41.
- “I’m a Keeper of Information: History-Telling and Voice,” *Oral History Review* 28/1, Winter/Spring 2001, 41-63.

### ***Invited and Non-Refereed Articles and Essays***

- “Remembering Civil Rights Activist Fannie Lou Hamer,” Roundtable Essay on Keisha N. Blain’s *Until I Am Free: Fannie Lou Hamer’s Enduring Message to America*, *Black Perspectives*, AAIHS on-line journal, October 2022. Accessible at: <https://www.aaihs.org/remembering-civil-rights-activist-fannie-lou-hamer/> Cited as one of the “Most Popular Black Perspectives Pieces of the Year (December 2022). Accessible at: <https://www.aaihs.org/most-popular-black-perspectives-pieces-of-the-year/> Reprinted in the *Journal of Civil and Human Rights* 8:2 (Fall/Winter 2022).
- “*History Teaches Us to Resist*: A Conversation with the Author Dr. Mary Frances Berry,” *Journal of Civil and Human Rights* 7:2 (Fall/Winter 2021), 60-82.
- “Places Created & Peopled: ‘Black Women: Where they be ... suffering?’,” *Journal of Urban History* 46 (On-line, January 2020; In Print, May 2020).
- “For Black Women Who Educate for Social Justice & Put Their Time, Lives, and Spirits on the Line,” *Black Women and Social Justice Education: Legacies and Lessons*, eds. Stephanie Evans, Andrea D. Domingue, Tania D. Mitchell (SUNY Press, 2019).
- “Revolution, Struggle, and Resilience: Women in the Black Panther Party,” *The Black Panthers: Portraits from an Unfinished Revolution*, eds. Bryan Shih and Yohuru Williams (New York: Nation Books, 2016).
- “Myth #10: Public Housing Tenants Are Powerless,” *Public Housing Myths: Perception, Reality, and Social Policy*, eds. Nicholas Dagen Bloom, Fritz Umbach, Lawrence J. Vale Jr. (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2015).
- “Social Justice for Active Citizenship,” *Social Justice and Social Work: Rediscovering a Core Value of the Profession*, ed. Michael Austin (Sage Publications, 2013).
- “ ‘We Refuse!’: Privatization, Housing, and Human Rights,” *Freedom Now! Struggles for the Human Right to Housing in L.A. and Beyond*, eds. Christina Heatherton and Jordan T. Camp (Freedom Now Books, 2012)

### ***Historiographical & Review Essays***

- “To the Front and Center of the Field: Recent Histories of Black Women, Gender, and Black Power,” *Journal of Women’s History* 32:2 (Summer 2020).
- “Response from *Concrete Demands* author,” Book Forum on *Concrete Demands* by Rhonda Y. Williams, *Journal of Civil and Human Rights* 1.2, Fall/Winter 2015, 248-254.
- “Hijacking Public Housing: A Review of *New Deal Ruins*,” *Southern Spaces* (March 2015). Accessible at: <https://southernspaces.org/2015/hijacking-public-housing-review-new-deal-ruins>.

- “Black Women and Black Power” historiographical essay, Bibliographic essay, and Sample Teaching Assignment, *OAH Magazine* (June/July 2008).
- “Black Milwaukee, Women, and Gender,” Review essay reprising Joe W. Trotter’s book. *Journal of Urban History* 33.4 (2007), 551-556.
- “Exploring Babylon and Unveiling the ‘Mother of Harlots.’” An examination of Robert O. Self’s *American Babylon* and its historical contributions as well as a discussion of the broader trends in urban, black, and race and gender studies. *American Quarterly* 57 (2005), 297-304.

### **Book Reviews**

- Beth E. Richie’s *Arrested Justice: Black Women, Violence, and America’s Prison Nation*, *American Studies* Vol 52. No. 3 (2013), 109-110.
- Chad Alan Goldberg’s *Citizens and Paupers: Relief, Rights, and Race, from the Freedmen’s Bureau to Welfare* for the *Journal of American History*, June 2009, 234-235.
- Roberta M. Feldman and Susan Stall’s *The Dignity of Resistance: Women Residents’ Activism in Chicago Public Housing for City & Community*. September 2006, 350-352.
- Annelise Orleck, *Storming Caesars Palace: How Black Mothers Fought Their Own War on Poverty* for *Journal of American Ethnic History*. Summer 2006, 203-205.
- Jennifer Mittelstadt, *From Welfare to Welfare: The Unintended Consequences of Liberal Reform, 1945-1965* for the *Business History Review*. Summer 2006, 343-346.
- Johanna Schoen’s *Choice and Coercion: Birth Control, Sterilization and Abortion in Public Health and Welfare* for the *Journal of African American History*. Summer 2006.
- Daniel J. Walkowitz, *Working with Class: Social Workers and the Politics of Middle-Class Identity* for the *Journal of Social History*. Summer 2001, 977-979.
- Christopher Waldrep, *The Roots of Disorder: Race and Criminal Justice in the American South, 1817-80* for the *Journal of Social History*. Fall 2000, 222-224.
- Robert Max Johnson, *Destined for Equality: The Inevitable Rise of Women’s Status* for the *Journal of Social History*. Spring 2000, 749-751.
- Dennis E. Gale’s *Understanding Urban Unrest: From Reverend King to Rodney King* for the *Journal of American History*. September 1999, 851-852.

### **Other Publications**

- “The Harbinger of Housing & Human Rights in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” Blog Column, 50 Voices for 50 Years, MLK50, National Civil Rights Museum, Memphis, TN, April 2018, <https://mlk50.civilrights museum.org/50-voices-50-years/posts/the-harbinger-of-housing--human-rights-in-the-21st-century>.
- Roundtable Proceedings, Contributor/Participant, “Reshaping History: The Intersection of Radical and Women’s History,” *Journal of Women’s History* 25:4 (Winter 2013), 13-45.
- “Single Mothers,” an encyclopedia entry for *The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture*, Volume 13: Gender, edited by Nancy Bercaw and Ted Ownby (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2009).
- “Teaching Black Women’s History and Other Stories,” *HUArchivesNet: The Electronic Journal of the Moorland-Spangarn Research Center*, Howard University, Issue #4, May 2000, <http://www.huarchivesnet.howard.edu/0005huarnet/womenhis1.htm>.
- “Maryland,” *Civil Rights in the United States Reader*, edited by Patricia Sullivan and Waldo E. Martin Jr., Vol. 2 (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2000), 456-458.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

### ***Book Manuscript Projects:***

*Unsympathetic Actors: Narcotics & Rights Struggles in the United States*

*A Black Power History of the United States* (under contract with Beacon Press)

## **CO-EDITOR, TITLED BOOK SERIES**

Founder & Co-Editor with Heather A. Thompson, *Justice, Power, and Politics Series*, University of North Carolina Press (approved by UNC Board of Consultants, November 2009).

## **WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY SERVICE/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE**

Member and Chair, Steering Committee, Detroit Center for Black Studies (DCBS) Initiative, Provost Office, 2023-

Advisory Board Member, Crockett-Lumumba Scholars Program, Department of African American Studies, 2023-

## **VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY SERVICE/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE**

Member, SARC, College of Arts & Sciences, Vanderbilt University, 2020-2021, 2022-2023.

Chair, Tenure and Promotion Review Committee, Department of History, 2020.

Chair, Second-Year Review Committee, Department of History, 2018-2019.

Member, Task Force on Community Standards, Department of History, 2018.

## **SELECT CWRU SERVICE/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE**

### ***University Level***

Founder & Executive Director, Social Justice Institute, June 2008-2017.

Member, Council of Alliances, 2010-2017.

Member, Diversity Leadership Council, Office of Inclusion, Diversity, and Equal Opportunity, 2009-2015.

Planning Team Member, Participant, and Sponsor, Mental Health Public Hearings with Center for Community Partnerships, Social Justice Institute, City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, et al. 2012-2013.

Resident Professor, Lecturer, Youth Mentor, International Sister-City-University Leadership Exchange Program (Cleveland-Brisbane), Sponsored by CWRU National Youth Sports Program & City of Cleveland, Brisbane, Australia, August 2012.

Chair, Search Committee for inaugural VP of Inclusion, Diversity, and Equal Opportunity, Spring & Fall 2008.

Member, University Strategic Planning Committee, January-June 2008.

Chair, President's Advisory Council on Minorities, January 2008-2010. (Formerly co-chair, January 2005-December 2007)

Faculty Senator, College of Arts and Sciences, Fall 2006-2009.

Member, Faculty Senate, Minority Affairs Committee, 2003-2004

Member, Case Center for Women Strategic Planning Committee, 2003  
Member, Fisk/Case Exchange Taskforce, 2003-2004  
Judge, Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation Essay Contest, 1998-2001.

### ***College of Arts & Sciences Level***

Founder & Director, Postdoctoral Fellowship in African American Studies, College of Arts and Sciences, CWRU, 2008-2017.  
Member, Strategic Planning Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Fall 2014.  
Member, “Urban Inequality & Social Justice” Search Committee, position linked to CWRU Social Justice Institute, 2010-11.  
Chair, Latino/Chicano History & Social Justice Search Committee, 2008-2009.  
Selection Committee, W.P. Jones Award, Fall 2004.  
Member, Strategic Service-Learning Taskforce, Coordinated by Office of Student Community Service, 2003-2006.  
Member, Steering Committee, Ethnic Studies Program, 2003-2005.  
Member, Advisory Committee, Establishing African/African-American Studies Minor, 2000, 2002.  
Member, Search Committee for the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, 2000-2001.  
Member, Steering Committee and Curriculum Committee, Women Studies Program, 2000-2001.  
Member, Advisory Committee on the Reassessment of the American Studies Program, 1998-1999.

### ***Departmental Level***

Chair, Speakers’ Committee, 2004-2007.  
Undergraduate Director, Spring 2006.  
Member, U. S. Social Justice History Search Committee, 2005-2006  
Member, Early American History Search Committee, 2003-2004.  
Member, Speakers’ Committee, 1999-2001, 1997-1998.  
Supervising Professor, Building a Library Resource Database for History 112: Introduction to American History, Nord and Hewlett Packard Grants, January-May 2000.  
Member, Search Committee in American Women’s History, 1999-2000.  
Member, Working Group on Nonprofit Public Policy/Advocacy for Curricular Revision for the Master of Nonprofit Organization Degree, Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations, Fall 1999.  
Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 1998-1999.  
Chair, Committee on Mentoring Policy, Spring 1998.  
Member, Ad Hoc Committee on the Reassessment of Graduate Programs, Spring 1998.

## **HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

### ***Professional Fellowships***

Visiting Professor in Department of History, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Visiting Professors and Scholars Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, 2019-20.  
Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowship, American Association of University Women American Educational Foundation, July 2002-June 2003.  
W.P. Jones Presidential Faculty Development Fund Award, CWRU, supported research and travel, Fall 2000.  
Glennan Teaching Fellowship, University Center for Innovation in Teaching and Education (UCITE), CWRU, 1999-2000.  
Fellow, W.E.B. Du Bois Institute, Harvard University: National Endowment for the Humanities

Summer Institute, "Teaching the Southern Civil Rights Movement, 1865-1965," Summer 1998. Invitation Accepted.  
National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute, "Roots: The African Background of American Culture Through the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade," Summer 1998. Declined invitation.

Professional Honors and Awards

Endowed Chair, Coleman A. Young Foundation, Wayne State University, August 2023-Present.  
Endowed Chair, John L. Seigenthaler Chair in American History, Vanderbilt University, August 2017-Present.  
Inaugural Recipient, "Outstanding Faculty Award for Student Development," Office of Student Affairs, Case Western Reserve University, April 2015.  
Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians Distinguished Lectureship Program, 2009-present.  
Who's Who in Black Cleveland, 2009, 2015.  
Recipient of CWRU's inaugural Inclusion and Diversity Achievement Award, April 2009.  
HNN's Top Young Historians, February 2008. <http://hnn.us/roundup/49.html#47024>  
2004 Letitia Woods Brown Memorial Book Award for *The Politics of Public Housing: Black Women's Struggles against Urban Inequality*, Association of Black Women Historians.  
Forty-Forty Club Class of 2005, Kaleidoscope Magazine, Cleveland, Ohio. This honor celebrates the achievements of 40 professionals, age 40 or younger, for their "exceptional leadership" and contributions to their organizations or the Cleveland area. Inductees are nominated by mentors/peers for recognition.  
Student Government's Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award for the Arts and Humanities, CWRU, 2004.  
Nominee for the Carl F. Wittke Award, University-wide Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award, Case Western Reserve University, Spring 2001 & Spring 2000.  
Nominee for the Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award, Undergraduate Student Government, CWRU, Spring 1999.  
Selected to appear in the *Undergraduate Viewbook*, featuring faculty and students. (Outstanding undergraduates nominated faculty members.) Undergraduate Admissions Office, CWRU, Summer 1999. Have appeared in each subsequent publication through 2002.

Graduate School/University of Pennsylvania

Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, 1996-1997.  
Fontaine Academic Fellowship, 1992-1996.  
Graduate/Professional Student Outstanding Achievement Award, Women of Color Day, 1995.  
Malcolm X Outstanding Service to the African-American Community, Black Graduate and Professional Student Association (BGAPSA), 1994.  
Paul Robeson Academic Excellence and Leadership, BGAPSA, 1994.

Undergraduate/University of Maryland College Park

Graduation Commencement Speaker, UMCP, First black speaker and valedictorian/salutatorian in the University's 187-year history, 1989.  
Phi Beta Kappa, 1989.  
Graduated Summa Cum Laude, 1989.  
University of Maryland Full Scholarship Award, 1985-1989  
Maryland Senatorial Scholarship, 1985-1989  
Maryland State Scholarship Board, Distinguished Scholar Award, 1985-1989

## SELECT PRESENTATIONS

### **2023**

Keynote Speaker, “Footsteps & Footprints: On Race & Social (In)Justice in Five Walks & A Collage: A Performance-Lecture,” Damon J. Keith Center Biennial Lecture, Law School, Wayne State University, November 9, 2023. <https://law.wayne.edu/keith-center/programs/biennial>

Participant, New Directions in the History of the Black Power Movement: International Conference, Goethe University, Frankfurt, Germany, June 2023. *Co-facilitated and commented on session titled “Women and/in the Black Power Movement,” and served as a plenary speaker for the closing roundtable titled “Where Do We Go from Here?”*

Keynote with Keisha-Khan Perry, Closing Conversation, Housing Justice / Housing Futures, Barnard Center for Research on Women, 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholar and Feminist Conference, Barnard College, February 25, 2023.

### **2021**

Keynote & Roundtable Moderator, “Modern Black Freedom Struggle, the Digital Age, and New Politics,” CAUSE, 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Carnegie Mellon University, October 15, 2021.

Keynote Lecture, “Mercy, Mercy ... We: Social Justice, Power, and History,” American Association for State and Local History, Little Rock, Arkansas, September 24, 2021.

Invited Presentation, “Making/Unmaking Cities for Whom?” StandUp Nashville, Fellows Training Series, February 15, 2021.

Invited Lecture, “Social Justice & the Humanities: Connecting Past & Present,” Virtual Conference, Texas Community College Teachers Association (TCCTA), February 5, 2021.

### **2020**

Invited Lecture, “The Luxury of Supposing: Black Power & U.S. History,” Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Visiting Professors and Scholars Program, MIT, January 2020.

Invited Lecture, “The Search for Black Power in the 20th Century,” Tufts University, March 2, 2020.

Keynote, “Breathe! Resist! Live!” – A Performance-Lecture, 10th Anniversary of the Social Justice Institute, Case Western Reserve University, October 2020. As the founder and inaugural director of SJI, I was invited back to celebrate and give a keynote lecture for the 10th anniversary. Available at: <https://case.edu/socialjustice/programs-and-events/social-justice-institute-10th-anniversary>

### **2019**

Moderator-Interviewer, Meet the Authors Event featuring Monica White and Lana Dee Povitz, Sponsored by Harper's Magazine, BookCulture on Columbus, and UNC Press, New York, New York, November 2019. White and Povitz are authors in the *Justice, Power and Politics Series*. White's book won an award.

Moderator-Interviewer, Plenary featuring Keeanga-Yamahtta Taylor on book *Race for Profit*, SACRPH, Crystal City, Virginia, November 2019. Taylor is an author in the *Justice, Power and Politics Series*. Taylor's book was long-listed for the National Book Award.

Presenter, “Part I: Doping in the Nation's Capital,” chapters from “*Unsympathetic Actors*”: *Narcotics and Rights Struggles in the United States*, manuscript-in-progress, History Faculty Workshop, MIT, November 2019.

Speaker, “The Things That Divide Us: Meditations,” MLK Jr. Visiting Professor Performance-Lecture, MIT, October 2019.

Presenter, “The prized outlet of the East’: Doping in the Nation's Capital,” HASTS Workshop, MIT, October 2019.

Invited Speaker, “Unsympathetic Actors: WWII-Era Dope Struggles in the United States,” Department of



History Colloquia, Washington University in Saint Louis, March 2019.

## 2018

- Roundtable Speaker, "The Legacy and Impact of Arnold Hirsch," Urban History Association, Columbia, SC, October 2018.
- Panelist, "From Slum Clearance to Gentrification: Homes for Whom & Where?" National Women Studies Association, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2018.
- Session Chair & Commentator, "Genealogies of Black Lives Matter," ASALH, Indianapolis, IN, October 2018.
- Speaker, "Four Things . . .," Dr. Felix Armfield Series for Emerging Scholars, Session II: "The Act of Being an Academic: Navigating the Terrain," ASALH, Indianapolis, IN, October 2018.
- Keynote Speaker, "The Things That Divide Us: Meditations," Working Class Studies Association Conference, in coordination with the Center for the Study of Inequalities, Social Justice, and Policy at SUNY Stony Brook, Long Island, NY, June 2018
- Panelist, "Black Power: Signs, Echoes & Silences," AAIHS, Brandeis University, Massachusetts, March 2018.

## 2017

- Keynote Speaker, "Concrete Demands: Black Power History and Legacies in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Howard B. Schonberger Peace and Justice Lecture Series, University of Maine Orono, April 2017.
- Invited Speaker, "Democracy for Whom? The Imperative of Social Justice Education," Socialist and Marxist Studies Lecture Series, University of Maine Orono, April 2017.
- Keynote Speaker, "Always In/A Process: Activating Activism & Acting," 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Alumni of Color Conference, School of Graduate Education, Harvard University, March 2017.
- Invited Speaker, "Your Silence Will Not Protect You: Black Women, History & Social Justice," 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, African American Studies Department, Mississippi State University, March 2017.
- Commentator, "Revolutionary Women, Revolutionary Worlds: Black Women and New Directions in Black Power History," American Historical Association Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado, January 2017.

## 2016

- Plenary Speaker, New Directions in African-American Urban History, Urban History Association, Chicago, October 2016.
- Invited Speaker, "I Journey to We Activism (Amherst Redub): In Five Acts," Feinberg Lecture, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, October 2016.
- Panelist, "Roots, Routes, and Expressions," ASALH, Richmond, Virginia, October 2016.
- Plenary Speaker and Organizer, "45 Years of *Black Resistance, White Law*," ASALH, Richmond, Virginia, October 2016.
- Invited Keynote Speaker, "The Travels of Black Power: Speaking & Writing into Being Self-Determination Struggles," American Networks Interdisciplinary Conference, London, England, July 2016.
- Invited Keynote Luncheon Speaker, "From the Streets to the Academy: Struggle Costs Ya ... in Ten Parts," Women in the Historical Profession, Organization of American Historians, April 2016.
- Invited Speaker, Conversations in Black Freedom Studies – Black Power and Political Repression, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, New York Public Library, February 2016.
- Invited Speaker, Conversations in Black Freedom Studies – Black Power and Political

Repression, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, New York Public Library, February 2016.

## 2015

- Charleston Lecture Keynote, “The Evidence of Things Done: Social (In)Justice & Struggles in the 21st Century,” University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, November 2015.
- Chair and Commentator, “Modern Freedom Struggles, Deindustrialization, and New Politics,” Center for African American Urban Studies & the Economy (CAUSE), 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 2015.
- Keynote, “Between ‘Images’ and ‘I Am Every Woman’: Ruminations in Two Songs and Five Acts,” Association of Black Women Historians, Annual Luncheon, Association for the Study of African-American Life and History (ASALH) Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, September 2015.
- Chair and Commentator, “New Directions in African American Urban History,” ASALH, September 2015.
- Panelist, “Scholarly Publishing in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” ASALH, September 2015.
- Keynote, “Regimes of Injustice: Race & Struggles for Justice in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” Rights and Wrongs: A Constitution Day Conference, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California, September 2015.
- Commentator, “Women Behaving ‘Badly’: Pushing the Boundaries of African American Respectability in 20<sup>th</sup>-Century,” Organization of American Historians Annual Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, April 2015.
- Keynote, “Rethinking Black Power & Black Politics,” OAH Distinguished Lecturer, Lycoming College, Lycoming, Pennsylvania, March 2015.

## 2014

- Chair & Facilitator, “Cities in Revolt,” With/Out Borders Conference, Arcus Center for Social Justice Leadership, Kalamazoo, Michigan, September 2014.
- Panelist, “Can Social Activism Change Policy,” Policy History Conference, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, June 2014.
- Presenter, “Black Power: Ruminations on Oral History, Power & Social Change,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Toronto, Canada, May 2014.
- Keynote, “Expanding Classrooms: Pedagogy at the Social Justice Crossroads,” Institute for Citizenship and Social Responsibility, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky, April 2014.

## 2013

- Plenary Speaker, “How Free is Free – The March Since 1963,” Association for the Study of African-American Life and History Conference, Jacksonville, Florida, October 2013.
- Panelist, “Critical Social Justice: Towards De-Colonization of/from the Academy,” Critical Race & Ethnic Studies, University of Illinois-Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, September 2013.
- Presenter, “Hope and Change?: Assessing Obama’s Domestic Policies,” Barack Obama & American Democracy IV Conference, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, March 2013.
- Presenter, “SJ Epistemologies in the Academy & Where is the Juice?” Social Justice Summit—Working Group, Arcus Center for Social Justice, Kalamazoo, Michigan, January 2013.

## 2012

- Chair & Commenter, “Re-thinking Red, Yellow, Black and Chicana/o Power through Oral History,” American Studies Association, Puerto Rico, November 2012.
- Presenter, “Joe William Trotter and African American Urban History,” “The Black City: The

- Future of Urban African American History, A Panel in Honor of Joe W. Trotter,” Association for the Study of African-American Life and History Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 2012.
- Panelist, “Engendering the Carceral State: Black Women, History, and Criminal Justice,” Association for the Study of African-American Life and History Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 2012.
- Guest Lecturer, “Traveling Justice in Four ACTS, w/ Three Songs, & Eight Lessons,” Aboriginal Women’s History Class, University of Queensland-St. Lucia, Brisbane, Australia, August 2012.
- Presenter, “The Battles of Social Bogeywomen and Tenant Serfs: The Next Phase of Urban Black Freedom History,” “National Issues, Local Struggles: The Civil Rights Movement in the Ohio Valley and Beyond,” Filson Historical Society, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, May 2012.
- Panelist, “From Michelle Obama to Michele Bachmann: Gender Matters in the Obama Era,” Barack Obama & American Democracy III Conference, Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts, March 2012.
- Roundtable Panelist, “Reshaping History: The Intersection of Radical and Women’s History,” American Historical Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, January 2012.

## 2011

- Invited Speaker, “‘Sister, how are you welcome in this house?’: Meditations on Democratizing the Past,” for the “From Black Modern to Post Blackness: A Retrospective Look at Identity” Conference, Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, November 2011.
- Commenter, “New Directions in African American Women’s Labor and Sexuality,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, University of Massachusetts Amherst, June 2011.
- Commenter, “Managing Discontent: The Repression and Medicalization of Urban Violence,” Organization of American Historians, Houston, Texas, March 2011.
- Keynote Speaker, “A Lesson in Becoming a Saboteur: Democracy Sightings,” for the “Barack Obama and American Democracy II” conference, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, March 2011.
- Commenter, “Politics and Policy in the Post-Civil Rights City,” American Historical Association Annual Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, January 2011.
- Featured Guest Scholar, “Say It Loud!” America Radio Works/NPR Documentary, (Airing nationally on WCPN, Cleveland, OH, premiers February 25, 2011)

## 2010

- Discussant, Roundtable: Has Feminist Oral History Lost Its Radical/Subversive Edge?, Oral History Association, Atlanta, GA, October 2010.
- Chair and Commenter, Session: In Their Own Words: Giving Tools to a Displaced Urban Community, Oral History Association, Atlanta, GA, October 2010.
- Keynote Speaker, “Race and Place in Baltimore Neighborhoods Lecture: Rethinking Urban History from the Margins,” Ebenezer AME Church, Baltimore, MD, October 2010.
- Invited Speaker, From *The Politics of Public Housing To Black Power & the Politics of Drugs: Research in Progress*, Community College of Baltimore Essex, Baltimore, MD, October 2010.
- Invited Speaker, “Black Power and Black Women’s Presence,” Black Power Panel Discussion, Black Studies Program, Swarthmore College, April 2010.
- Invited Speaker, “An Evening Community Conversation,” with Dr. Lawrence Vale and Dr. Bradford Hunt, The Merchandise Mart, National Public Housing Museum, Chicago, Illinois, March 2010.
- Invited Presenter, “Public Housing and Oral Narratives: Recovering Voices from the Dustbins of

History,” Second “Our Stories: Resident Voices of Public Housing” Plenary, National Public Housing Museum, Chicago, Illinois, March 2010.

Keynote Lecturer, “Railroads, Streets & Bridges: Black Women & Freedom Journeys,” 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Underground Railroad Workshop Conference, Underground Railroad History Project of the Capital Region, Inc., Troy, New York, February 2010.  
(*Highlights on YouTube:* <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QrWcHY5Uwb4>)

Invited Speaker, “Black Women and Black Power,” Sages College, Troy, New York, February 2010.

Commentator, “Rethinking the 1970s: The Long Civil Rights Movement in a Decade of Political Realignment,” American Historical Association Annual Conference, San Diego, California, January 2010.

## **2009**

Chair and Commentator, “Claiming Housing Rights,” American Studies Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., November 2009.

Commentator, “Twentieth Century Diasporic Radicalism and Internationalism,” Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD), Accra, Ghana, August 2009.

Invited Speaker, “Obscured Lives, Hidden Histories (Take 2): Or, Narratives which otherwise have yet to be told,” The Long Civil Rights Movement Conference, UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, April 2009.  
(*Highlights on YouTube:* <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gjSbcjXPS64>)

Invited Facilitator and Speaker, “1968 and Beyond: A Symposium on the Impact of Black Power in America,” National Museum of African American History and Culture, Smithsonian Institution, March 2009.

Presenter, Session: War on Poverty: Grassroots Struggles for Race and Economic Justice Roundtable, Organization of American Historians’ Annual Conference, Seattle, Washington, March 2009.

Invited Speaker, “Obscured Lives, Hidden Histories: Expanding Narratives of Black Women’s Activism in the Post-World War II Era,” Black Women Academics in the Ivory Tower Conference, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., March 2009.  
(*Speech on YouTube:* <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t6kKyW45GBs>)

Invited Speaker, “Working the Dope Hustle in Post-World War II Cities,” New Directions Lecture Series sponsored by the African & African Diaspora Program, Boston College, Boston, Mass., February 2009.

## **2000-2008**

Invited Speaker, “The Pursuit of Audacious Power: CORE, Neighborhood Politics, and Black Power in Baltimore, 1966-1968,” Global 1968 Conference, Colgate University, Hamilton, New York, April 2008.

Plenary Speaker, “America’s Color Line 40 Years after the Kerner Commission,” “Rupture, Repression and Uprising: Raced and Gendered Violence Along the Color Line” Conference, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, April 2008.

Chair and Commentator, “Beyond the Panthers: Gender and Black Power,” Organization of American Historians’ Annual Conference, New York, March 2008.

Invited Speaker, “The Youth Narcotic Problem,” University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, November 2007.

“‘We had better listen’: Community Action, Poor People, and Municipal Politics in Baltimore,” The War on Poverty & Grassroots Struggles for Racial & Economic Justice, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, November 2007.

Presenter and Session Leader, “Stretching the University’s Boundaries: The Local Community as

a Resource and Site for Teaching and Learning,” The Reinvention Center (of SUNY-Stony Brook) Conference, Washington, D.C., November 2006.

“Copping an Expressive High: Drugs & Culture in the 1960s and 1970s,” Urban History Association, Phoenix, AZ, October 2006.

Invited Lecturer, “Raising/Razing the ‘Projects’: Black Women’s Quest for Decent Housing,” Fairfield University, CT, September 2006.

“Black Women and Black Power Politics,” Association for the Study of African American Life and History Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, September 2006.

Presenter, “New Directions in African-American Urban History” Roundtable, American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch, Stanford University, August 2006.

Chair and Commentator, “New Migrants, New Movements, and New Teachers in Big City Schools: Educational Dissent in Postwar Urban America,” Organization of American Historians Conference, Washington, D.C., April 2006.

“Black Women, Urban Politics, & Engendering Black Power,” “Race, Roots, and Resistance: Revisiting the Legacies of Black Power” Conference, University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign, March 2006.

Discussant, “A Race-Conscious Mobility Proposal: Debates and Alternatives,” at “Gautreaux at 40: Race, Class, Housing Mobility, and Neighborhood Revitalization,” Northwestern University School of Law, March 2006.

Invited Lecturer, “Raising/Razing the ‘Projects’: Black Women’s Quest for Decent Housing,” Ida B. Wells Inaugural Symposium, African American Studies Department, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, November 2005.

“Black Women, Nonviolence, and Urban Activism,” American Studies Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC, November 2005.

Invited Lecturer, “African American Women’s Struggles Against Urban Inequalities,” Eleventh Annual “What Is A City? Conference,” Center for the Humanities, University of Missouri-St. Louis, October 2005.

Invited Lecturer, “New Directions in Black Women’s History,” Association of Black Women Historians’ Roundtable, Association for the Study of African-American Life and History Conference, Buffalo, New York, October 2005.

Invited Lecturer, “The Politics and Struggles of Black Women in Poverty,” Center for Africanamerican Urban Studies and the Economy, 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, Carnegie-Mellon, September 2005.

“Grassroots Empowerment and Baltimore’s War on Poverty,” 1965 Remembered: Women, Grassroots Activism, and the War on Poverty, Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, Scripps College, Claremont, California, June 2005.

“Black Women’s Activism in Public Housing in Post-Depression Baltimore,” Social Science History Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, November 2004.

Invited Lecturer, “Struggling at the Grassroots: The War on Poverty, Race, and Empowerment,” The Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture Workshop, University of Chicago, November 2004.

Presenter, Roundtable reprising Joe William Trotter Jr.’s *Black Milwaukee* (The 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), Urban History Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 2004.

Invited Lecturer, “Black Women’s Activism in 1960s Baltimore,” Humanities Research Centre, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, September 2004.

“Grassroots Empowerment and Baltimore’s War on Poverty,” War on Poverty Conference, The Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies and the African-American Studies Program, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, November 2003.

“They Were Fighting Organizations: Black Power, Gender and Urban Activism in the 1960s,” The Black Power Movement in Historical Perspective: Dialogues on Race and American Society, Institute for African American Studies, University of Connecticut Storrs, November 2003.

- “Dopefiends and Drug Dealers: Narcotics in Postwar Urban America,” for the Works-in-Progress Colloquium Series, Baker-Nord Center for the Humanities, CWRU, September 2002.
- Commentator, Conference on Social Connectedness and Public Activism, Center for American Political Studies/Department of Government, Harvard University, Boston, Massachusetts, May 2002.
- “Poor Women and ‘Black Power’ Politics: Race, Gender and Urban Activism in Baltimore,” African-American Studies: Transnationalism, Gender and the Changing Black World Conference, Department of African American Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, April 2002.
- “Sitting at the Table with the Decision-Makers: Black Women’s Push for Representation,” Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2001.
- “‘We’re Tired of Being Treated Like Dogs’: Poor Women and the Power Politics,” Association for the Study of African-American Life and History Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., September 2001.
- Chair, Gender, Charity, and the State, Diaspora Paradigms Conference, Michigan State University, Lansing, Michigan, September 2001.
- “Public Housing and Welfare Rights Activism: The Confluence of Identities,” University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, Works-in-Progress Colloquium, Presentation of Book Chapter, May 2001. (One of 15 scholars invited nationwide.)
- “Public Housing and Welfare Rights Activism and the Emergence of the Racial Bogeywoman,” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, April 2001.
- Panelist, Black Workers Remember: A Symposium on the Past and Future of Black Labor Through the Eyes of Workers, Labor, and the New Millenium Conference, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, October 2000.
- “Citizenship Rights & Entitlements to Housing and Welfare,” Engendering Social Justice Roundtable, Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, March 2000.

### **DOCUMENTARY APPEARANCES**

*137 Shots*, Director: Michael Milano, *Netflix* (2021)

*Dispatches from Cleveland*, Director: Catherine Gund, *Aubin Pictures* (2017).

### **PODCASTS**

Guest Historian featured in *LBJ and the Great Society* Podcast, PRX, NEH, Episode: “Give Us the Ballot,” released March 2020. Available at:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/give-us-the-ballot/id1276340470?i=1000467295511>

Guest Historian, “Rent Strike,” People's History Podcast, December 3, 2019, Available at:

<https://medium.com/@peopleshistory/episode-three-rent-strike-12a59a8a1ef1>

Moderator-Interviewer, “More Than Thankful,” Harper's Podcast, broadcasting the Meet the Authors Event at BookCulture, New York, November 27, 2019. The event featured Monica White, *Freedom Farmers*, and Lana Dee Povitz, *Stirrings*. Available at:

<https://harpers.org/blog/2019/11/more-than-thankful/>

### **SELECT INVITED BOOK TALKS (2005-2006), *The Politics of Public Housing***

Radical Pavilion, Main Stage, Baltimore Book Festival, Baltimore, Maryland, September 2011.  
Department of History, University of North Carolina Greensboro, April 2006.  
Featured Scholar and Invited Lecture, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars,  
Washington, D.C., February 2005.  
Mac's Backs Bookstore, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, September 2005.  
Border's Bookstore, sponsored by the American Association of University Women, Beachwood,  
Ohio, March 2005.  
Department of History, Florida State University, Gainesville, Florida, March 2005.  
Department of Afro-American Studies, University of Maryland College Park, February 2005.  
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Maryland, February 2005.

### **COURSES TAUGHT @ VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY**

#### **2000-Level**

Biographies of Struggle  
Civil Rights Movement (w/ mezzanine 5000-level)  
History of Black Power  
Race, Rights, and the American Dream  
Women of Color: History, Theory and Organizing

#### **3000-Level**

History Writing Workshop: "The Carceral State"

### **COURSES TAUGHT @ CWRU**

#### **Undergraduate Level 100-200**

Introduction to American History  
Slavery and Emancipation  
African-American History, Civil War – 1945  
African-American History, 1945 – Present  
History of Drugs in Modern America  
Introduction to Black Studies (Ethnic Studies Program core course)  
Introduction to Social Justice (Spring 2012 Pilot)

#### **Undergraduate Upper Level 300**

Black Women's History

#### **Undergraduate/Graduate Level 300/400**

Advanced Readings in Black History  
City as Classroom (cross-listed with sociology and political science)  
Social Movements, USA

#### **Graduate 400 Level**

Seminar on Modern U.S. Historiography  
Race, Gender & Social Policy

### **SELECT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY SERVICE/PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES**

- Invited Lecture, “The Luxury of Supposing: Black Power and U.S. History,” Vanderbilt Law School, Lunchtime Diversity Lecture Series, March 31, 2021.
- Invited Lecture, “Race and Policing: Then & Now,” Phi Alpha Theta, Vanderbilt University, February 2020.
- Commentator, Session: Freedom in the United States Since the 1960s, Department of History, November 2018.
- Invited Speaker, “Legacies & Repercussions,” Panel on the 1960s, sponsored by the Vanderbilt Class of 1968, 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion, October 2018.
- Chair & Commentator, “Vanderbilt and Black Nashville,” Wrestling with Our Past: Vanderbilt, Race, and the Confederate Legacy, March 2018.

### **SELECT CWRU SERVICE/PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES**

- Keynote, “What is Social (In)Justice: A Real-World Example,” 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Social Justice Teach-In, presented by Center for Civic Engagement and Learning, Interreligious Taskforce, Social Justice Institute, Alpha Phi Omega and Lambda Eta Mu, CWRU, Cleveland, Ohio, February 2016.
- Presenter, “*Concrete Demands: The Search for Black Power*,” Social Justice Institute Research Luncheon Series, CWRU, Cleveland, Ohio, April 2015.
- Panelist, “Police Brutality, the Law, and Race,” School of Law, January 2015.
- Keynote Speaker, “Education as a Pathway for Liberatory Social Change: A Presentation in Three Acts,” Greek Life Civic Reception, November 2014.
- Invited Speaker, “From Gaza to Ferguson,” November 2014.
- Guest Lecturer, “Let’s Talk About It: Why & How You Show Up,” Theories of Oppression Class, Dr. Regina Nixon, MSASS, February 2014.
- Guest Speaker, Provost Scholars Program, Spring 2014, Fall 2015.
- Radio/Cable TV Guest with East Cleveland Mayor Gary Norton, Part I: “How to Become a 21<sup>st</sup> Century City” & Part II: “Creating Jobs in the Age of Regionalism,” Regionally Speaking Radio Show in collaboration with the Social Justice Institute, October 2011. (<http://blog.case.edu/wrss/>)
- Moderator and Interviewer, “The Freedom Riders” featuring Diane Nash and Rev. C. T. Vivian, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, sponsored by the Social Justice Institute and the Office of Inclusion, Diversity, and Equal Opportunity at CWRU, Facing History & Ourselves, Olivet Institutional Baptist Church, WVIZ-Ideastream, September 2011.
- Respondent, “A Legacy of Leadership” featuring Congressperson Emanuel Cleaver II, The Louis Stokes Leadership Symposium on Social Issues and the Community, October 2011.
- Panelist, “Hurricane Katrina: Why Did the New Orleans Disaster Unfold the Way It Did?” Open Forum, sponsored by the Share the Vision Committee: Building a Just and Humane Campus Community, September 2005.
- Workshop Leader, “Stepping Forward, Taking A Risk: Political Activism and Active Citizenship,” for The Second Year Institute Leadership Camp, a student retreat at Camp Asbury, sponsored by the Office of Student Activities and Leadership, August 2004, 2005.

### **SELECT PUBLIC ADVOCACY/PRESENTATIONS/SERVICE**

- Lecturer, “Racism and Anti-Racist Work,” Teacher Workshop/Professional Development, The Laurel School, February 2017.
- Invited Speaker, “From Slavery to ‘Freedom’: The 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment and Beyond,” Black History



Month Program (Organized by Incarcerated Men), Lake Erie Correctional Institute, February 2017.

Keynote, “Race and Urban Policy,” Pursuing the Full Rights of Citizenship 2015: The Clash Between Constitutional Rights and Policing, Norman S. Minor Bar Association, Cleveland, Ohio, December 2015.

Panelist, “Behind the Headlines – Police Reform: The Challenge Ahead,” Cuyahoga County Community College, Cleveland, Ohio, October 2015.

Panelist, “Ensuring the Success of the Cleveland Consent Decree,” The City Club of Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio, October 2015. <http://wcpn.ideastream.org/programs/city-club-forum/ensuring-success-cleveland-consent-decree>

Panelist, “Policing the Populace,” *Covering Comeback Cities* Region II Conference, National Association of Black Journalists, Midwest Region, Cleveland, Ohio, October 2015.

Member, Cleveland Community Police Commission, City of Cleveland, September 2015-May 2017.

Panelist, “Into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Public Housing, Redevelopment & Neoliberal Agendas,” Housing Panel, State of Disparities in the African American Community Conference, Northeast Ohio Black Health Coalition, Cleveland, Ohio, August 2015.

Invited Speaker, “Let’s Talk About Race, Injustice, and Oppression,” Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio, June 2015.

Member, Collaborative for a Safe, Fair and Just Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio, November 2014-present.

Invited Speaker, “Race and the Politics of White Privilege,” Bill Emerson National Hunger Fellows Program, Congressional Hunger Center, Washington, D.C., 2005, 2007-2010, 2013-2015.

Keynote Speaker, “Deep Collaboration: Barriers and Opportunities,” Greater Civil and Human Rights Committee, BORDC, Cleveland, Ohio, January 2015.

Invited Speaker, “Violence Against Women is a Social Justice Issue,” East Cleveland Public Library, East Cleveland, Ohio, November 2014.

Invited Speaker, “Jazz and Change,” Lake Erie Correctional Institution, (Organized by Speaker), August 2014.

Invited Speaker, “Juneeteenth,” Lake Erie Correctional Institution, (Organized by Incarcerated Men), June 2014

Invited Speaker, “Freedom Fifty Years Later: Black History & Struggle,” (Organized by Incarcerated Men), Lake Erie Correctional Institution, March 2014.

Keynote Speaker, “The African-American Woman and Man: A Healing Dialogue,” Urafiki Celebration, Ursuline College, November 2013.

Keynote Speaker, “The Evidence of Things Done: Race in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” Race on Trial: Constructing Identity, A Social Justice Symposium, Department of Pan-African Studies, Kent State University, September 2013.

Keynote Speaker, “A Pathway to Activism in Four Acts,” Annual Graduation Ceremony, Bill Emerson National Hunger Fellows Program, Congressional Hunger Center, Washington, D.C., February 2013. *(Invited by the Graduating Class)*

Presenter, “Ella Baker: Beyond the Episode,” Social Justice Summit, Arcus Center for Social Justice, Kalamazoo, Michigan, January 2013.

Presenter, Housing Panel, East Baltimore Symposium, East Baltimore, Maryland, March 2013.

Regular Public Radio Guest, “Around Noon” Book Club with Dee Perry, WVIZ-Ideastream, 90.3 FM WCPN, Cleveland, Ohio, 2010-2013.

Invited Speaker, “Why Do We Celebrate Black History?” Black History Month Celebration Breakfast featuring Congresswoman Marcia Fudge, East Cleveland Democratic Ward Club, February 2011.

Board Member, PolicyBridge, Urban Minority Public Policy Think Tank focused on Northeast

Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio, February 2011.  
Design Team Member, Facing History & Ourselves Innovative Schools, Cleveland Municipal School District, Cleveland, Ohio, Fall 2010-present.  
Invited Guest, “Where Do We Go from Here: Legacy and Challenges,” Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, Cable Show with Host Councilman Nathaniel Martin, Channel 9, Cable Access TV, East Cleveland, January 2011.  
Speaker, “Science Café & NPR/WCPN, June 2010.  
Consultant & Advisor, NEH Oral History and Museum Project, National Public Housing Museum, Chicago, Illinois, 2009-2010.  
Docent Trainer, Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture, Baltimore, Maryland, December 2005.  
Keynote, “The Local and the Global: Women and Social Justice,” Women History Month Celebration, Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial United Methodist Church, Baltimore, Maryland, March 2005.

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL DUTIES**

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Civil and Human Rights*, 2014-present.  
Nominating Board, Organization of American Historians, Elected 2015-2018.  
Planning Team, Big Berks, 17<sup>th</sup> Berkshire Conference on Women, Genders, and Sexualities Historians, June 2017.  
Editorial Collective Member, *The Radical History Review*, Fall 2004-2016.  
Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Urban History*, Spring 2008-2013.  
Associate Editor, *The Sixties*, Fall 2006-2010.  
Associate Editor, *Black Women, Gender & Families*, Fall 2005-2010.  
Reviewed books and/or essay collections for major presses  
Reviewed article manuscripts for *Gender and History*, *Feminist Studies*, *Journal of American History*, *Journal of Social History*, *Journal of Urban History*, *Journal of Women’s History*.

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Historical Association  
Association of Black Women’s Historians  
Association for the Study of African American Life & History  
Organization of American Historians

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